

flats and yields the close-grained, prettily marked "Myallwood." The gum is eaten; and the hard, heavy wood is used for boomerangs. On account of its solidity and fragrance, this dark brown wood is much sought after for turners' work; perhaps its most extensive use is in the manufacture of tobacco pipes. It is well adapted for cabinet-making purposes, and fancy articles, such as rulers and napkin rings, are often made from it. It will grow in the bleakest and most arid localities wherever frost is not severe. (Adapted from Maiden, Useful Native Plants of Australia, p. 357; Mueller, Select Extra-Tropical Plants, p. 6; and Bailey, Queensland Flora, pt. 2, p. 495.)

*Acacia longifolia* (Mimosaceae), 48049. From Tangier, Morocco. Seeds presented by M. Jules Goffart, Société d'Horticulture de Tanger. An evergreen acacia from New South Wales, with a branching, ashy brown trunk, 20 to 30 feet high. The axillary flower spikes are shorter than the leaves and are so entirely covered with sessile, citron-yellow flowers that they resemble catkins. The faint odor of the flowers is similar to that of peach blossoms. This is a valuable ornamental and a good shade tree for narrow streets. The bark is used as a tan for light leathers. The rapid-growing tree renders important service in subduing loose coast sand, the lower branches striking root into the soil; it should be disseminated on extensively bare sand shores in regions where no severe frosts occur. The timber is light, tough, hard, and durable, and is used for tool handles, etc. (Adapted from Maund's Botanist, vol. 2, pl. 77; and Mueller, Select Extra-Tropical Plants, p. 7.)

*Acacia melanoxylon* (Mimosaceae), 48051. From Tangier, Morocco. Seeds presented by M. Jules Goffart, Société d'Horticulture de Tanger. An Australian hardwood tree, attaining a height of 100 feet, though of slow growth; it sometimes flowers when under 20 feet in height. The lanceolate phyllodia, 3 to 4 inches long, are leathery and evergreen. The elongated flat pod is often curved into a circle; and the orbicular seeds, each encircled by double folds of a long dilated scarlet funicle, hang on the tree for months, making this pyramidal acacia a beautiful street tree. The mature wood, which is very dark, makes an excellent substitute for black walnut for furniture and grill-work, and is considered by some to be the most